

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1-10 (cancelled)

11. (new) Patient garment having sleeves and comprising a front piece (1) and a back piece (2), **characterized in** that the front piece (1) is wholly or partially made up of an outer layer (3) of a material with little air permeability and an inner layer (4) of a material with a significantly higher air permeability than the outer layer, which extends over at least part of the outer layer (3) and is attached to the latter in such a way that a space is formed between the outer and inner layer, and that at least one inlet (8,9) connectable to a source of warm air is located on the front piece of the garment and leads to the space between the inner and outer layer.

12. (new) Patient garment according to Claim 11, **characterized in** that the front and back pieces (1,2) are detachably and reclosably connected with each other, at least in the area from the shoulder parts to the end of the sleeve.

13. (new) Patient garment according to Claim 11, **characterized in** that the front piece (1) includes openable parts to allow access to the area for operation.

14. (new) Patient garment according to Claim 13, **characterized in** that the garment is designed as a coat, that the front piece (1) has a central slit (5) which extends from

the bottom end of the coat to its breast part, and that those parts of the front piece which extend along the edges of the slit are connected with each other by means of a detachable and reclosable connection (6,7).

15. (new) Patient garment according to Claim 13, **characterized in** that the garment is designed as a pyjama with a top part (17) and a trouser part (18), and that the front piece (19) of the top part is connected with the back piece by means of a detachable and reclosable connection (28), at least along the sides from the lower end of the top part to the breast part thereof.

16. (new) Patient garment according to claim 11, **characterized in** that the inner layer (4) of the back piece (2) and the front piece (1) is made of an air-permeable non-woven and the outer layer (3) of the front piece is made of a non-air-permeable material, e.g. a plastic film or a laminate of plastic film and non-woven.

17. (new) Patient garment according to claim 11, **characterized in** that the inner layer (4) extends over the whole of the outer layer (3).

18. (new) Patient garment according to claim 13, **characterized in** that the inner layer (4) is laminated to the outer layer (3) within the marginal area of the openable parts of the front piece (1).

19. (new) Patient garment according to claim 12, **characterized in** that the detachable and reclosable connections (6,7 and 15,16) which connect parts of the garment with each other are made up of mechanical connections, preferably so-called velcro connections.

20. (new) Patient garment according to claim 14,
characterized in that the garment has an openable back.